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8. (Amended) A method for a server that manages bandwidth of a remote link,
comprising:

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assigning a portion of the bandwidth to at least one application group; and
metering packets belonging to the application group;
wherein the server is directly connected to other links having larger bandwidth than the
available bandwidth of the remote link.--

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9. (Amended) A method for a server that manages bandwidth of a remote link,
comprising:

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assigning a portion of the bandwidth to at least one application group; and
metering packets belonging to the application group;
wherein the packets belonging to the application group contend equally for the portion of
the bandwidth.--

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10. (Amended) A method for a server that manages bandwidth of a remote link,
comprising:

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assigning a portion of the bandwidth to at least one application group;
metering packets belonging to the application group; and
allowing a user to specify the bandwidth of the remote link from a user interface.--

--9. (Amended) A method for a server that manages bandwidth of a remote link,
comprising:

assigning a portion of the bandwidth to at least one application group;

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metering packets belonging to the application group; and

allowing a user to specify the portion of the assigned bandwidth from a user interface.--

A4 Cont. Sub D1
--10. (Amended) A system for managing bandwidth of a remote link comprising:

a server

a contention pool having a portion of the bandwidth for at least one application group;

and

a meter for metering the packets belonging to the application group;

~~wherein the server is a VPN server.--~~

✓ 11. (Canceled)

Sub D1
12. (Amended) A system for managing bandwidth of a remote link comprising:

a server

a contention pool having a portion of the bandwidth for at least one application group;

and

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a meter for metering the packets belonging to the application group;

wherein the server is directly connected to other links having larger bandwidth than the
available bandwidth of the remote link.--

Sub D1
13. (Amended) A system for managing bandwidth of a remote link comprising:

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a server

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a contention pool having a portion of the bandwidth for at least one application group;
and
a meter for metering the packets belonging to the application group;
wherein the packets belonging to the application group contend equally for the contention
pool.--

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(Amended) A system for managing bandwidth of a remote link comprising:
a server
a contention pool having a portion of the bandwidth for at least one application group;
and
a meter for metering the packets belonging to the application group; and
a user interface that allows a user to specify the bandwidth of the link.--

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--18. (Amended) A system for managing bandwidth of a remote link comprising:
a server
a contention pool having a portion of the bandwidth for at least one application group;
and
a meter for metering the packets belonging to the application group; and
a user interface that allows a user to specify the assigned portion of the bandwidth.--